Cummins-ORNL\FEERC Emissions CRADA:

NO_x Control & Measurement Technology for Heavy-Duty Diesel Engines,

Self-Diagnosing SmartCatalyst Systems

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Overview

Timeline

- Current SOW started FY13
- SOW extends through FY15
- New 3-year SOW submitted

<u>Budget</u>

- 1:1 DOE:Cummins cost share
- DOE Funding:
 - FY2013: \$400k
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 - FY2015: \$283k

Barriers

- From DOE VT MYPP:
 - 2.3.1.B: Cost-effective emission control
 - 2.3.1.C: Modeling for emission control
 - 2.3.1.E: Emissions-control durability

Partners

- ORNL & Cummins Inc.
- CLEERS
- Chalmers
- Politecnico di Milano
- Queen's Univ. Belfast
- Univ. of Chem. & Tech. Prague

Objectives & Relevance

Improve Catalyst Models, Design & Control

for Enabling Emissions Compliance & Improved Fuel Economy

Objectives

- Develop diagnostics to advance applied & basic catalyst insights
- Understand impact of ageing on catalyst performance
 - Focus on distributed & transient performance
 - Correlate functional impacts: SCR, NH₃ capacity & oxidation reactions
- Identify strategies for catalyst-state assessment
- Apply data to improve & critically assess catalyst models

Relevance – Detailed Catalyst Insights impact:

- Improve dynamic catalyst models
- Improve control strategies & design model-based controls
- Optimize NH₃ dosing control for fuel economy and overall fluid economy
- Reduce required engineering margins (engine-efficiency vs. emissions tradeoffs)
- Reduce system capital & operation costs

Milestones

2014 Milestones:

- ✓ Q1: Complete assessment of probe-to-probe variations in NH₃ sensors
- ✓ Q2: Assess NH₃ capacity of Lab-Aged 2010CMI sample
- ✓ Q3: Assess distributed performance of Lab-Aged 2010CMI sample
- ✓ Q4: Compare distributed performance of DeGreened & Lab-Aged 2010CMI

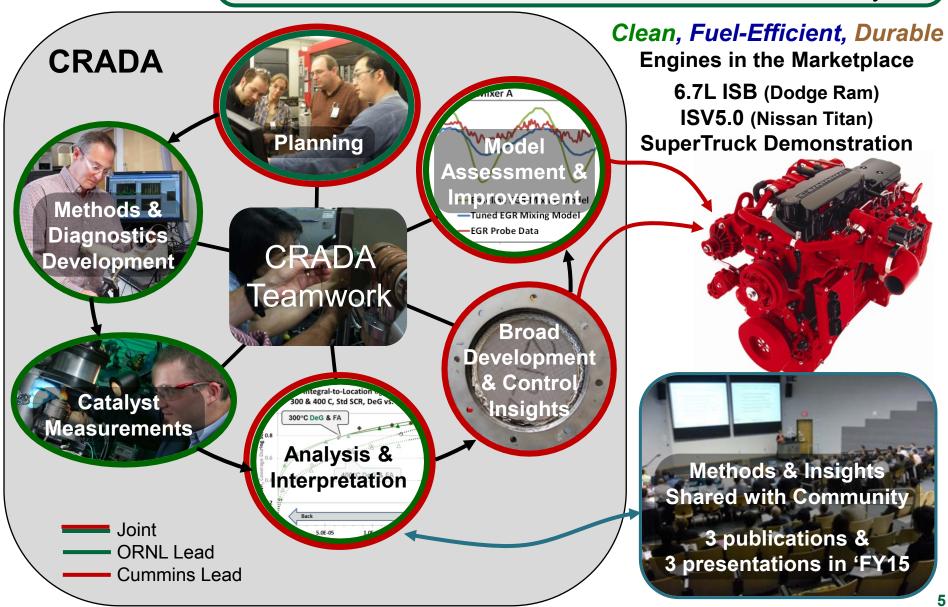
2015 Milestone (on schedule for timely completion):

- ✓ Q2: Assess distributed performance of Field-Aged commercial SCR catalyst
 - Q3: Present CRADA ageing insights at CLEERS Workshop

Approach

Spatiotemporal Intra-Catalyst Characterization

for Fundamental & Practical Insights to Enhance Performance, Control, Cost & Durability



Technical Progress: Summary

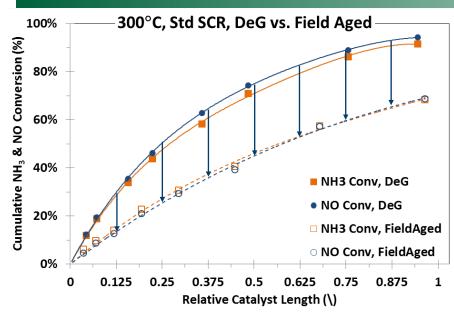
• Background: from FY12 & 14 Project Years (responding to Reviewer Feedback)

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- SCR kinetic parameters determined from intra-SCR distributed data
 - under normal operating conditions & distributed model published (with Chalmers)
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 - Improved analysis, Fast SpaciMS & demonstrated non-invasive Spaci nature
- Multiple University collaborations: Chalmers, UCT Prague, PoliMi, QUB, MI Tech

FY15 work focused on a Field Aged Commercial 2010CMI SCR

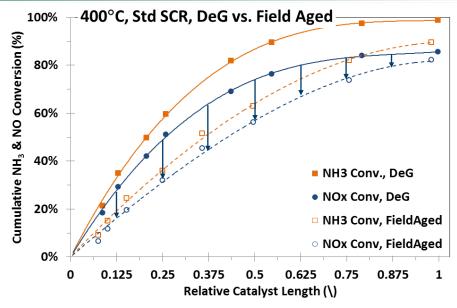
- Distributed performance: NO & NH₃ conversion, NH₃ oxidation & capacity
- Objective: understand how Field Ageing impacts catalyst functions & performance
- Correlate functional impacts of Field Ageing relative to DeGreened performance
 - DeGreened sample: DeG
 - Hydrothermally Aged sample: HTA
 - Field Aged sample: FA
- Assess catalyst models against spatially resolved data
- Gain insights regarding catalyst-state assessment

Tech.Prog.: Field Ageing Significantly Reduces SCR Conversion





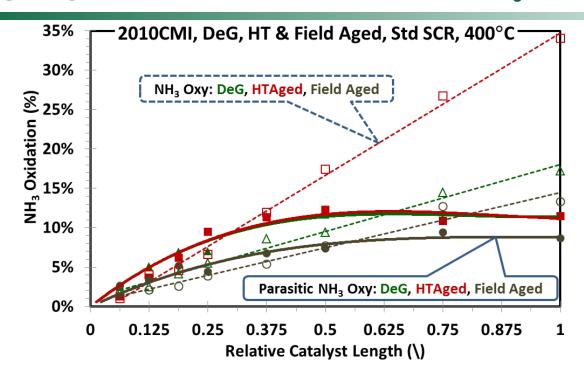
- 2010CMI, Cu-SAPO-34
- Field Ageing
 - Sample from real-world use
 - Normal ageing profile
- Previous work focused on DeG & HTA



- Major SCR degradation in front half
 - ~40-55% lower conversion at 300°C
 - ~20-40% lower conversion at 400°C
- Parasitic NH₃ Oxidation
 - negligible at 300°C
 - apparent at 400°C for both DeG & FA

Identify Specific Parameters Impacting SCR Loss with Field Ageing, Focus on Parameter-Performance Correlations & Model Comparisons

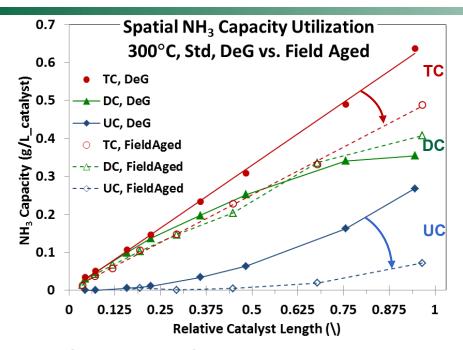
Field Ageing Reduces both Parasitic & NH₃ Oxidation



- Parasitic NH₃ Oxidation: PO (during SCR)
 - FA ~20% lower than DeG
 - Reduced competition should cause greater SCR conversion if PO limits SCR
 - HTA ~same as DeG
- NH₃ Oxidation (in absence of NO_x)
 - FA ~20% lower than DeG
 - HTA ~100% greater than DeG

- FA & HTA have different impacts
- FA SCR loss >> PO loss
 - Significant PO change would cause opposite SCR trend
- FA reduces both SCR & PO
 - FA apparently impacts a common site
 - SCR is more sensitive to this impact
 - PO site competition not limiting SCR

Tech.Prog.: Field Ageing Changes TC & UC, but Little DC Impact



Total NH₃ Capacity: **TC**

Dynamic NH₃ Capacity: **DC**

DC: fraction used during SCR

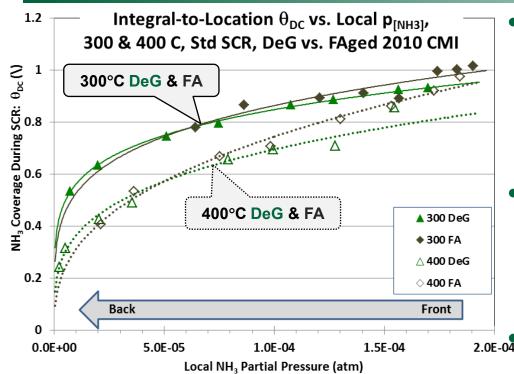
Unused NH₃ Capacity: UC

DC + UC = TC

- Total NH₃ Capacity: TC
 - FA TC~25% lower at both 300 & 400°C
- Dynamic NH₃ Capacity: DC
 - DC≈TC at catalyst front
 - FA causes DC≈TC deeper into catalyst
 - DC saturated deeper into catalyst
 - Overall very small DC change
 - [NH₃] similar at DC-TC separation point
 - Suggests similar Adsorption Isotherm

- Unused NH₃ Capacity: UC
 - FA lowers UC (Due to TC & DC behavior)
 - May impact dosing control
 - Candidate for catalyst-state monitor
- Same general behavior at 400°C
- FA has little impact on DC quantity
- FA SCR loss >> DC change
 - Apparently not due to DC quantity loss
 - But, is FA DC less accessible?

Tech.Prog.: Field Ageing Does Not Change NH₃ Adsorption Energetics



Pihl & Daw CLEERS data from Commercial SSZ-13 SCR (see ACE022, Pihl, Wednesday 4:15pm)

100
80
0.02
0.02
0.04
0.06
0.08
0.04
0.00
NH₃ inventory (mol/l)
NH₃ concentration (ppm)

- NH₃ Isotherm from SpaciMS data
 - Normalized coverage shown
 - Under SCR reaction conditions
 - Adsorption is much faster than even Fast SCR (previously shown)
- Shape is like 2-site Langmuir
 - See Pihl & Daw CLEERS data
 - From commercial SSZ-13 SCR
 - Distinct knee at low NH₃ partial pressure

Isotherm is same at a give temperature

- Shape would change with energetics
 - e.g., if selective adsorption-site impact
- Isotherm flattens at higher temperature
 - Typical nature for Langmuir isotherm
- Simplifies modeling of aged samples
 - Field ageing reduces number of sites
 - But adsorption occurs in same way
 - Use same model with scaling factor

Tech.Prog.: Summary of Field-Ageing Impacts on SCR Functions

Function	Field-Ageing Impact vs. DeGreened	
	300°C	400°C
SCR	40-55% lower	20-40% lower
Parasitic NH ₃ Oxidation	NA; same	20% lower (opposite trend)
NH ₃ Oxidation	NA; same	20% lower
NH ₃ Inhibition limit	same	same
Total NH ₃ Capacity	25% lower	25% lower
Dynamic NH ₃ Capacity	ca. same	ca. same
Unused NH ₃ Capacity	lower	lower
NH ₃ Adsorption Energetics	same	same

- Results generally consistent with
 - FA reduces TC & impacts common site related to SCR & PO
 - Practically nonselective FA impact on NH₃ adsorption-site energetics
 - DC quantity and PO competition not limiting FA SCR
 - FA may make DC less accessible, causing longer\slower SCR
- Additional catalyst characterization needed
 - Cu sintering
 - Poisoning; e.g., by lube components (S, Zn, P, Ca)
 - Number & nature of surface sites
- Comparison to Cummins catalyst models is ongoing

Responses to 2014 Review Comments FY2014 AMR Review (7 Reviewers; max score: 4)

Numerous Positive Comments:

- "excellent rating," "thought-out approach," "very important project"
- "very interesting," "good work characterizing various functions"
- "outstanding collaboration," "excellent group of collaboration partners"
- "characterization of axial changes in NH₃ storage is important"
- "development & comparison to ageing models is important"
- "OBD is a major challenge and this work can shed light on this"

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Category	Score	
Approach	3.50	
Tech Progress	3.07	
Collaboration	3.50	
Future Research	3.21	
Weighted Average	3.25	

Recommendations:

- Some question re. how intra-SCR spatially resolved information can be used in practice
 - Spaci-like analysis provides spatial insights re. functional activity and ageing impacts
 - These insights can guide strategies for practical on-vehicle OBD; even w/o spatially resolved sensing; e.g., see two slides in Technical Backup Slides
- Some questions re. sufficiency of results given that project started in 2013
 - The AMR presentation focuses on the previous year
 - A more detailed multi-year summary has been provided in the Technical Backup Slides
- Several comments re. Cummins' contribution & benefits, and contributions of the informal collaborators
 - This has been highlighted in the presentation
 - A summary of contributions is provided in the Technical Backup Slides
- · Several comments re. formalizing the non-CRADA collaborators & more in-depth discussion of their work
 - The CRADA partners bring knowledge from wide-ranging sources to the project
 - The informal partnerships strengthen the project w/o being exposed to CRADA-protected info.
 - CRADA is a formal CMI-ORNL agreement; the AMR primarily focuses on CRADA-partner work
- Several suggestions that transient analysis be used to probe spatiotemporal functional interactions
 - This was discussed last year, and is being incorporated in the Future Work Plans

Collaborations & Coordination with Other Institutions

Cummins

- CRADA Partner, Neal Currier (Co-PI)
- CLEERS (ACE022, Pihl, Wednesday 4:15pm)
 - Diagnostics, analysis & modeling coordination



- Kinetic modeling of NH₃-SCR
- Xavier Auvray, et al. (2015), Applied Catalysis B: Environmental 163, 393-403.



- Mechanistic SCR studies (with CLEERS)
- Maria Pia Ruggeri, et al. 8th ICEC, 2014.



- Minimally invasive nature of SpaciMS
- Alexandre Goguet, et al. (2014). Catalysis Today 236, 206-208.
- UCT, Prague (Prof. Marek & Dr. Kočí)
 - N₂O formation studies (with CLEERS)
 - David Mráček, et al. (2015). Appl. Catalysis B: Env. 166-167, 509-517.
 - David Mráček, et al. 2014 CLEERS Workshop.
 - Petr Kočí, et al. 8th ICEC, 2014.

Publications, Presentations & Recognition

- 3 Archival Journal Publication, 3 Presentations
- ORNL-Cummins partnership recognized by Dr. Danielson, DOE EERE Assistant Secretary, for enabling clean & efficient engines for current & future vehicles













Remaining Challenges & Barriers, and Proposed Future Work

Remaining Challenges:	Future Work (FY16-18):
 Robust SCR models that can accurately predict transient distributed performance Most critical assessment method 	 Compare CMI models to measurements Individual function & integrated performance Initial focus on NH₃ capacity & isotherm Mutual guidance: models ↔ experiments
Origin of Field Ageing performance loss	 Catalyst characterization Sintering, poisoning, deAl, zeolite structure Compare models and experiments
 Analytical improvements Impacts capacity & transient analysis 	 Differentiating transient impacts of instrument response and dynamic catalyst changes e.g., dynamic catalyst oxidation-state changes
Transient catalyst performance	 Transient response experiments Spatial & temporal resolution How functions transitions between SS states Model assessment Analysis for catalyst-state assessment
 Other Field-Ageing impacts and catalysts Are existing insights broadly representative 	 Measurements of other FAged samples Measurements of other catalyst samples With different functional & parameter sensitivities

Summary

Relevance

- CRADA work enables improved catalyst knowledge, models, design & control
- This reduces catalyst system costs & required engine-efficiency tradeoffs
- This in turn enables DOE goals for improved fuel economy

Approach

- Develop & apply diagnostics to characterize catalyst nature
- Analyze data to understand mechanistic details of catalyst functions & ageing impacts
- Develop improved catalyst models based on improved catalyst knowledge

Technical Accomplishments

- Assessed impacts of Field Ageing on commercial SCR catalyst functions
 - NH₃ capacity, SCR, Parasitic NH₃ oxidation, NH₃ Oxidation, Dynamic Inhibition
 - Field Ageing does not change NH₃ energetics; i.e., can use same isotherm model

Collaborations

- Numerous university collaborations resulting in presentations, publications and advances
- Coordination & collaboration with other DOE projects to maximize benefit

Future Work

- Apply data & insights to improve catalyst models & catalyst-state assessment
- Experiments to understand transient catalyst performance
- Analysis of broader field-aged sample set and catalyst types

Technical Back-Up Slides

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- General
 - Emissions controls
 - Catalyst fundamentals & practical insights
 - Catalyst models (design tools & imbedded)
 - Control strategies & OBD
 - Combustion Efficiency
 - Shift emissions tradeoff to fuel efficiency
 - Durability
 - Enhanced durability via improved controls
 - Cost
 - Lower development, catalyst & sensor costs

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Technical Progress: Summary (details re. FY12-14 Project Years)

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Technical Progress: Summary of Participant Actions

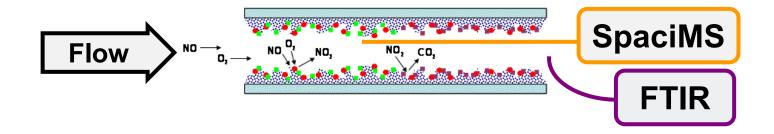
Summary of FY15 CRADA Participant Contributions

- Responding to AMR Reviewer feedback
- 1:1 DOE:Cummins cost share; i.e., Cummins matches DOE investment 1:1
- Supply fresh, HTAged and Field Aged catalsyt samples (CMI lead)
- Bench reactor analysis of catalyst samples (ORNL lead)
- Analysis of SpaciMS and other reactor data (ORNL lead)
- Interpretation of results (Joint ORNL & CMI)
 - Basic insights; limiting conditions, surface chemistry, correlations
 - Practical insights; strategies for catalyst-state assessment
- Model comparison, assessment and modifications (CMI lead)
- Next-steps and future-work planning (Joint ORNL & CMI)
- Informal partnerships outside the CRADA FY13-15
 - Lead participant is indicated parenthetically
 - SCR kinetic analysis & modeling with Chalmers
 - Planning (Joint), diagnostics & analysis (ORNL), experiments at ORNL (Joint), modeling (Chalmers)
 - Mechanistic studies with Politecnico di Milano
 - Planning (Joint), diagnostics & analysis (ORNL), experiments at ORNL (Joint), interpretation (Joint)
 - N2O formation studies with University of Chemistry and Technology, Prague
 - Planning (Joint), diagnostics & analysis (ORNL), experiments at ORNL (Joint), modeling (UCTP)
 - SpaciMS studies with Queen's University, Belfast
 - Planning (Joint), diagnostics & analysis (joint), experiments at ORNL (ORNL), modeling (QUB)

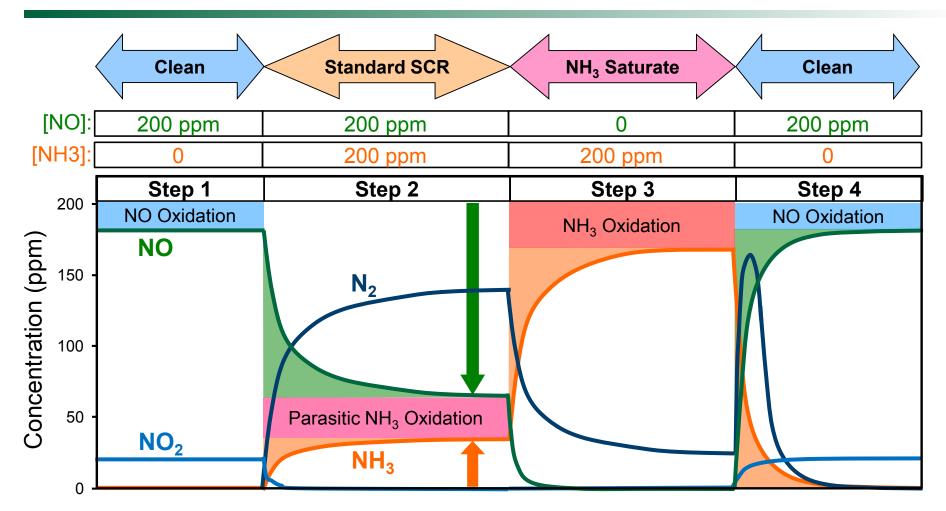
Experimental: Catalyst, Conditions, Methods & Approach

	Commercial
Catalyst	2010 CMI, Cu-SAPO 34
Mini-Core size	21 cells; ca. 2.45-cm long x 0.78 wide
Channel density	300 cpsi
Space Velocity	60,000 hr ⁻¹
NH ₃ , NO _x	200ppm, 200ppm
Base O ₂ & H ₂ O	10% & 5%
Temperatures	200, 300 & 400°C
Standard SCR	√ focus of these slides
Fast SCR	✓
Diagnostic	SpaciMS & FTIR

State	Conditions
DeGreened	700°C , 4hrs, $10\%\text{O}_2 + 5\%\text{H}_2\text{O}$; • From front of sample B11-22
Hydrothermal Ageing	800°C, 50hrs, 14%O ₂ + 8%H ₂ O; • CMI ageing rig: 10-9-2013 • From front of sample B11-23
Field Ageing	 ?; prepared by CMI; CMI date: 7-1-2014 From front of larger sample; Pretreatment at ORNL: 500°C to remove HC & S Cycling at 200, 300 & 400C to steady state



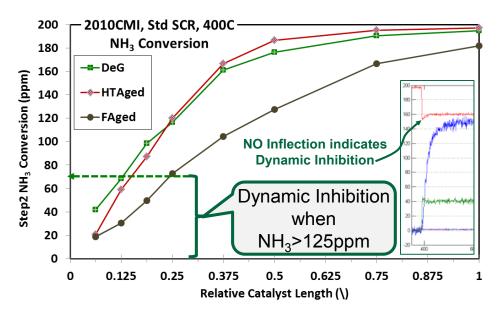
Cummins 4-Step Protocol Resolves Reaction Parameters



- Step1: NO oxidation
- Step2: SS NO_x & NH₃ conversions, Parasitic NH₃ oxidation, Dynamic NH₃ capacity
- Step3: NO_x-free NH₃ oxidation, Unused NH₃ capacity
- Step4: NO oxidation, Total NH₃ capacity

Total = Dynamic + Unused

Tech.Prog.: Field Ageing Does Not Change Dynamic NH₃ Inhibition



- Dynamic inhibition at SCR start
 - Observed in catalyst front for all samples
 - Observed above consistent [NH₃] limit
 - \gtrsim 165ppm [NH₃] at 300°C
 - \gtrsim 125ppm [NH₃] at 400°C
 - 400°C more sensitive
 - Due to faster reaction or less accessible DC?
 - More sensitive to spillover from Higher-E S2 sites, which are more dominant at high-T
 - Impacts NO & NH₃ adsorption parameters

Tronconi, Cat. Today 105, p529; describes dynamic inhibition

- 'modified redox (MR) SCR rate law'
- Depends on T, C_{NO}, θ_{NH3} & C_{O2}

$$r_{\text{NO}} = \frac{k'_{\text{NO}} O' \exp\left(-\frac{E_{\text{NO}}}{RT}\right) C_{\text{NO}} \theta_{\text{NH}_3}}{1 + k'_{\text{NH}_3} \frac{\theta_{\text{NH}_3}}{1 - \theta_{\text{NH}_3}}} \left(\frac{p_{\text{O}_2}}{0.02}\right)^{\beta}$$
(12)

- r_{NO}: rate of DeNOx reaction
- E_{NO}: Activation energy for DeNOx reaction
- C_{NO}: gas phase concentration of NO
- θ_{NH3}: surface coverage of NH₃
- k_{NO}: pre-exponential factor for DeNOx reaction rate constant
- K_{NH3}: NH₃ rate parameter
- p_{O2}: O₂ partial pressure
- S1: redox site for O₂ & NO adsorption/activation
- S2: acidic site for NH₃ adsorption
- Suggests inhibiting NH₃ & NO interactions not impacted by FA
 - Abundance of S2 vs S1 sites
 - i.e., NH₃ spillover from S2 to S1 is equivalent in DG & FA; even with lower FA TC
 - Consistent with lower NH₃ vs. NO capacity
 - Consistent with separate S1 & S2 sites
 - Can lose many S2 sites before change in NO-adsorption inhibition occurs
 - FA selectively impacts S2 sites over S1?

Remaining Challenges & Barriers, and Proposed Future Work

Remaining Challenges:

Characterize distributed impact of ageing on SCR-catalyst functions & performance

- Future Work (FY2015; i.e., from 2014 AMR):
- Study HydroThermally Lab-Aged sample
- Complete experimental matrix & analysis
 - DeG & HTAged 2010CMI SCR samples
 - Standard & Fast SCR
 - 200, 300 & 400°C

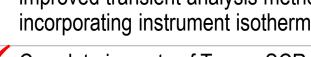
- Resolve NH₃ Capacity distributions via transient analysis
 - Resolve Dynamic-, Unused- & Total-Capacity
- Understand mechanisms of ageing-induced performance degradation
 - Mine insights for improving catalyst development models & control

- Determine capacity distributions using an improved transient analysis method incorporating instrument isotherms
 - Correlate impacts of Temp., SCR Reaction & Ageing on distribution of specific functions
 - E.g., further work as presented here
 - Comparison of measurements to SCR models
 - Assess model performance and sensitivity vs. specific parameters, ageing and functions

Similar studies on catalyst in other aged states

- Continue University collaborations
- Advance detailed understanding of ageing
 - Impacts of degree of ageing
 - Impacts of different real-world conditions

- Further HT Lab Ageing
- Field-aged 2010CMI catalyst samples

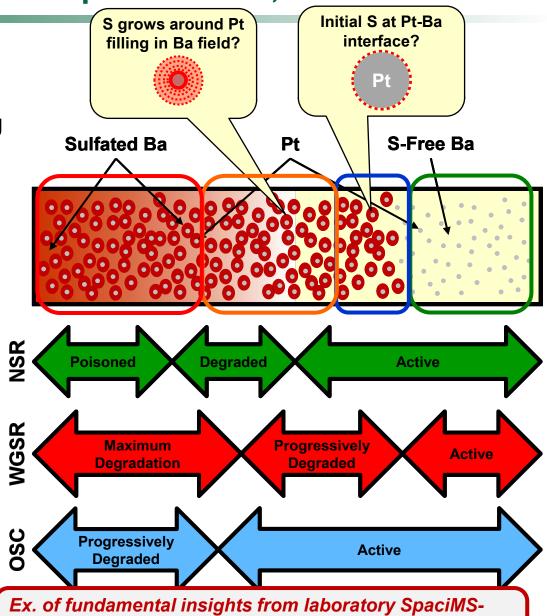




In process

Conceptual Model of Sulfur Impact on NSR, WGS & OSC

- Fully active in S-free zone
- WGS sensitive to initial S
- O₂ keeps Pt S free in fast cycling
- S-islands grow around Pt sites
 - Progressive WGS degradation
 - NSR insensitive to initial S
 - S-free Ba exists in field
 - Progressive NSR degradation
 - WGS degradation max
 - Field sulfation begins
- Field sulfation continues
 - NSR becomes poisoned
 - Progressive minor OSC loss
 - Due to minor Ba-peroxide?
- WGS S-front leads NSR S-front
 - No regeneration from WGS H₂



based studies; nxt. pg. shows how such fundamental

insights can be used to achieve practical OBD advances.

Ex. Practical OBD Based on Fundamental Catalyst Insights

Need to minimize high-T DeS events

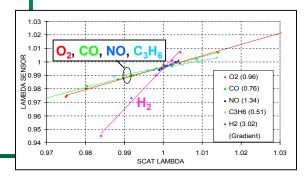
Basic control commands DeS too often and too long

WGS enables advanced control

- □ Cummins OBD Patent (US Patent App. 20080168824)
- Active on-board assessment of catalyst state
- Only DeS when & for as long as required
 - Better efficiency (lower fuel penalty)
 - Better durability (catalyst & engine last longer)

UEGO Sensors

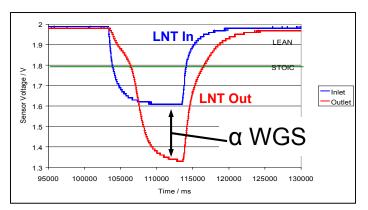
UEGO has unique H₂ cross sensitivity



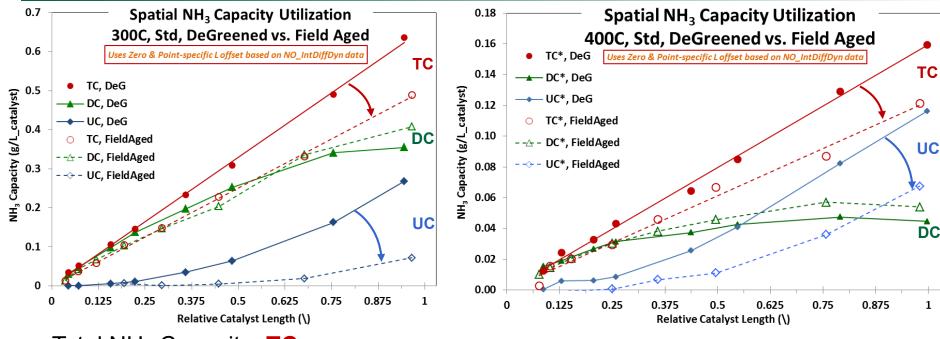
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Intake Air

UEGO Signal α WGS



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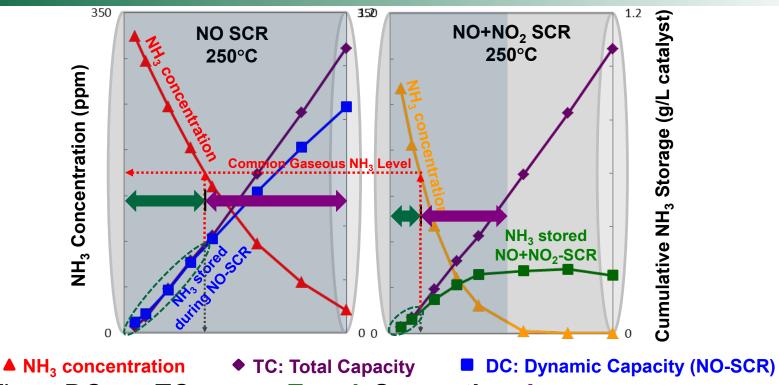


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- Unused NH₃ Capacity: UC
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 - May impact dosing control
- Same general behavior at 400°C
- Little impact of FAgeing on DC does not correlate with large SCR loss

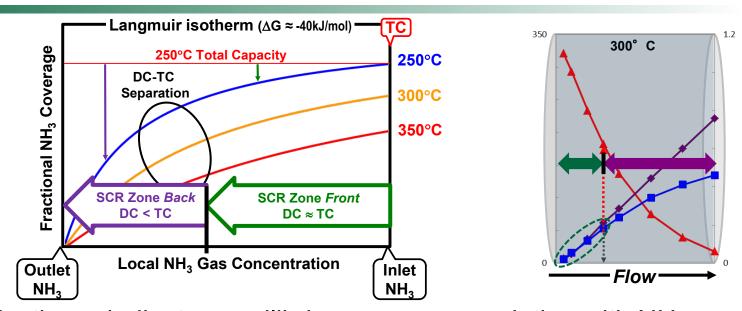
DC + UC = TC

NH₃ Coverage Equilibrium is Faster than Even Fast SCR



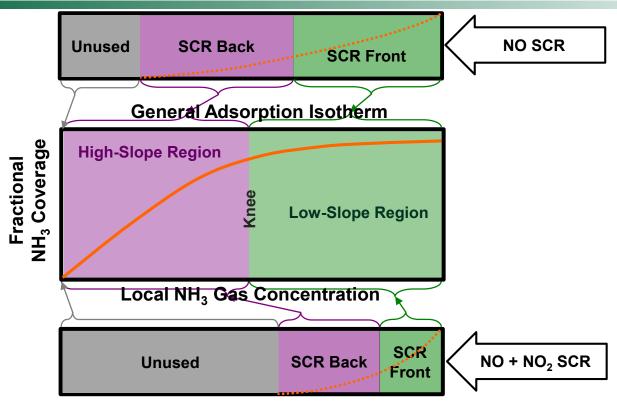
- Three DC-vs.-TC zones: *Equal, Separation, Lower*
- DC ≈ TC in catalyst front section where NH₃ is high
- DC < TC in back of SCR zone
- DC ≈ TC above the same common ~175 ppm NH₃ level
 - A case where NO & NO+NO₂ SCR are similar!
 - NH₃ coverage equilibrium reactions much faster than NO+NO₂ SCR

Isotherm & Gas-Phase NH₃ Distribution Set NH₃ Coverage Distribution



- Adsorption isotherm indicates equilibrium-coverage variation with NH₃
 - TC measured at inlet NH₃
 - 3 major zones: low-slope, knee & high-slope
- Coverage variation is relatively flat in low-slope (high-NH₃) zone
 - practically: DC ≈ TC here
- DC & TC should separate around the isotherm knee NH₃ concentration
- DC<TC in high-slope zone corresponding to SCR-zone back
 - local NH₃ & coverage going to zero here
- Specific SCR reaction does not change the isotherm
 - only changes where these zones occur spatially within the catalyst

Major Isotherm Zones can Move within the Catalyst



- Specific SCR Reaction, SV, etc. can change the NH₃ distribution
 - Spatial applicability of different isotherm zones (low-slope, knee & high-slope)
- Isotherm & local NH₃ determine the local coverage
- But local NH₃ is also dependent on local coverage
 - Rate coefficient & coverage are both temperature dependent
 - Creates complex distributed behavior
- Actual catalysts can have more complex adsorption-isotherm shape
 - Further complicating distributed performance, temperature dependence, etc.